

Sinclair
Broadcasting's
decision to force
their stations to
air an anti-Kerry
documentary days
before the election
is a clear example
of the dangers of
media consolidation.

Non balanced news is
an infringement of
free speech. At the
least the FCC should
require stations
equal time for
candidates during
this and all
elections. To not
mandate equal time
is to impose an
autocracy not a
democracy on the
people of the United
States of America.

These are MY air
waves you are
offering up for miss
use by the Sinclair
Broadcasting group.
If they can not be
stopped from airing
biased programming
or forced to air
equal time during
elections, then
their broadcast
license should be
revoked and never
renewed to them.

Sinclair uses the
public airwaves free
of charge, and is
obligated by law to
serve the public
interest. But when
large companies
control the
airwaves, we get
more of what's good
for the bottom line
and less of what we
need for our
democracy. Instead
of something
produced at "News
Central" far away,
it's more important
that we see real
people from our own
communities and more
substantive news

about issues that
matter.

Sinclair's actions
show why we need to
strengthen media
ownership rules, not
weaken them. They
show why the license
renewal process
needs to involve
more than a returned
postcard. Thank you.